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Dear Joe,

your letter arrived on time. I've just been unable to answer it, I'm that far behind on everything. So this must be brief.

Your conjectures and theories are interest and in part I agree with their possibility. I think, though, you've missed th most likely. I do not permit myself these luxuries, save when I'm sleepless abed. I stick to the record, which I think for now if the only viable approach.

I'm sending your dope on Russell to Penn Jones today.

The editing of tapes occurred long ago. Another is the elimination of any showing of Oswald's claim to have been a patsy. Also some of the doctors's interviews with TV reporters.

The idea of advertising for photos is good. I spoke to a man some place in the San Frensisco area last night. I was broadcasting to KCBS by phone and he phoned in. He has pictures of the front of the building and others that I'd love to see. He was cut off, accidently, in the station. He promised to send them, I doubt he does. The climate is not yet ripe. People are more anxious to live then to get pittances. I have been in touch, by mail, with people in Dallas who have pictures. They suddenly stop writing. You are quite right. I can be vitally important. But I think that until the subject opens more, there is little chance, save by a sudden emotional response, and there have been a few of these.

Sending the two books to Chakovskii today.

Much obliged.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg